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IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A terminal comprising: a control unit for controlling a plurality of speech interaction applications; a speech input unit; a speech recognition engine for recognizing a speech input via the speech input unit; and a memory for recording commands which achieve interaction with a currently-interacting application or/and a plurality of the applications other than the currently-interacting application; wherein the control unit dynamically manages ones of the commands as recognizable or unrecognizable commands via the speech recognition engine according to current operation states of each of the applications, and executes processes corresponding to the commands when results of speech recognition ~~match~~ recognizes the commands.

2. (Original) The terminal of claim 1, wherein the commands are global commands that achieve interaction at least with the plurality of one of the applications other than the currently-interacting application.

3. (Original) The terminal of claim 1, wherein the control unit manages different commands according to whether the currently-interacting application and a plurality of the applications other than the currently-interacting application are in an installed state, activated state, or interacting state.

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4. (Original) The terminal of claim 2, wherein the control unit manages different global commands according to whether the currently-interacting application and a plurality of the applications other than the currently-interacting application are in an installed state, activated state, or interacting state.

5. (Original) The terminal of claim 2 comprising an input section, wherein the control section adds, deletes, or changes the commands according to inputs via the input section.

6. (Original) The terminal of claim 1 comprising a communication unit connectable to at least one of an external server and network, wherein the control unit records the commands into the memory when the applications corresponding to the commands are obtained via the communication unit.

7. (Original) The terminal of claim 2 comprising a communication unit connectable to at least one of an external server and network, wherein the control unit records global commands into the memory when the applications corresponding to the global commands are obtained via the communication unit.

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8. (Original) The terminal of claim 2, wherein, when a result of speech recognition does not match the global commands, the speech recognition is processed as an input into the currently-interacting application.

9. (Original) The terminal of claim 3, wherein, when a result of speech recognition does not match the global commands, the speech recognition is processed as an input into the currently-interacting application.

10. (Original) The terminal of claim 2, wherein the applications include information on priority, and the control unit judges whether to start to interact with one of the applications which correspond to the input global command according to the priority when the global commands are inputted to the control unit via the input unit.

11. (Original) The terminal of claim 3, wherein the applications include information on priority, and the control unit judges whether to start to interact with one of the applications which correspond to the input global command according to the priority when the global commands are inputted to the control unit via the input unit.

12. (Original) The terminal of claim 1, wherein the control unit starts to interact with the applications in response to inputs from an input unit.

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13. The terminal of claim 2, wherein the control unit starts to interact with the applications in response to inputs from an input unit.

14. (Original) The terminal of claim 1, wherein the control unit stops speech recognition processes in response to inputs from an input unit, and makes the applications enter a speech wait state.

15. (Original) The terminal of claim 2, wherein the control unit stops speech recognition processes in response to inputs from an input unit, and makes the applications enter a speech wait state.

16. (Currently Amended) A speech interaction application provision method for providing a plurality of speech interaction applications recorded in memory, comprising: receiving speech requests including a global command which enables users of the terminals to interact at least with the applications not currently interacting from a plurality of terminals connected thereto; and executing processes corresponding to the speech requests; wherein the speech interaction applications include the global command, and the global commands are dynamically managed as recognizable or unrecognizable commands via a speech recognition engine according to operation states of the applications.

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17. (Original) A speech interaction application provision method of claim 16, wherein the different global commands are managed according to whether a currently-interacting application and a plurality of the applications other than the currently-interacting application are in an installed state, activated state, or interacting state.

18. (Currently Amended) A terminal comprising: record means for recording a plurality of speech interaction applications; speech input means; speech recognition means for recognizing a speech input from the speech input means; and management means for recording and managing global commands for achieving interaction at least with the applications other than the currently-interacting application, wherein the management means dynamically manages different global commands as active or inactive commands via the speech recognition engine according to operation states of the applications.

19. (Currently Amended) An in-vehicle terminal comprising: a record unit for recording a plurality of speech interaction applications which include at least a route guide application; a vehicle location obtaining unit; a speech input unit; a speech recognition unit for recognizing a speech input from the speech input unit; a display unit for displaying at least a vehicle location acquired by the vehicle location obtaining unit and the route calculated by the route guide application; and a management unit for managing global commands for achieving interaction

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at least with the applications other than a currently-interacting application,
wherein the management unit dynamically manages different global commands
as recognizable or unrecognizable commands via the speech recognition engine
according to operation states of the corresponding applications.

20. (Original) An in-vehicle terminal of claim 19, wherein the managing
unit manages different global commands according to whether the currently-
interacting application and a plurality of the applications other than the currently-
interacting application are in an installed state, activated state, or interacting
state.